

**OFFICE OF THE CLERK
TOWN OF TREMPEALEAU
TREMPEALEAU COUNTY, WISCONSIN**

**MINUTES OF THE 8/14/2014
REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

Chairman Ken Farley called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. All members were present. Open meeting certification laws were met. David Prondzinski moved to adopt the agenda, Dennis Bortle seconded and the motion carried.

Public Comments. Charles Miller stated that he would speak when his subject came up on the agenda.

Sonja Byrne, Clerk/Treasurer reported a balance as of July 31, 2014 of \$141,180.85 in checking, \$197,020.46 in the regular money market account, \$351,454.52 in the contingency money market account, \$1,000.00 in the health savings money market account and \$725,809.90 in the CapX2020 money market account. The Clerk/Treasurer indicated funds from the general fund needed to be moved into two budget line items. David Prondzinski made a motion to move \$10,000 in to the Legal budget line item and \$3,000 in to the Financial Administration budget line item. Ken Farley seconded and the motion carried with a voice vote.

David Prondzinski moved to approve the minutes of the July 3, 2014 regular meeting. Dennis Bortle seconded and the motion carried with a voice vote.

The Board reviewed the vouchers from July 4, 2014 through August 14, 2014. David Prondzinski moved to pay all bills, Dennis Bortle seconded and the motion carried by voice vote.

Jeff Osgood, the contractor for Jared McCutchen, appeared before the board requesting approval of the construction of a new residence in Prairie Bluffs. After review, David Prondzinski made a motion to approve the construction, Dennis Bortle seconded and the motion carried by voice vote.

Kyle Canar appeared before the board requesting approval of the construction of a pole shed to include a residence in Fox Coulee. After review, David Prondzinski made a motion to approve the construction, Dennis Bortle seconded and the motion carried by voice vote.

Eric Aschenbrener appeared before the board requesting approval of the construction of a residence and detached garage on River Pine Drive. After review, David Prondzinski made a motion to approve the construction, Dennis Bortle seconded and the motion carried by voice vote.

A discussion was held regarding the small length of road not annexed by the Village of Trempealeau on Lake Road and the annexation on 11th Street only going to the edge of the right of way and not to the center of the road. The Clerk was asked to draft a letter to the Village of Trempealeau Council members regarding the two issues.

A discussion was held regarding the striping of Whistle Pass Road. The County Safety Committee has sent a letter to Kraemer regarding the striping and Kraemer has indicated that they will not pay for the striping. Chairman Farley will discuss the speed issue, curve signs, speed signs and shouldering with Kraemer. The Board will address the striping of the road at a later time.

Richard Frey informed the board that the County Board is reviewing all of the county ordinances. Mr. Frey will send any dog ordinances when they are found at the County level.

The sale of the Trim Road culvert was discussed. Dennis Bortle indicated that he thought the culvert should have been put up for bid rather than sold directly. David Prondzinski made a motion to approve the sale of the culvert to Irv Hovell for \$1,500. Ken Farley seconded and the motion carried with two yes votes and one no vote. David Prondzinski also

made a motion to give the Town Chairman the authority to sell Town items under the amount of \$2,000 without board approval. Ken Farley seconded and the motion carried with two yes votes and one no vote.

The new town truck has arrived and is currently at Universal Equipment. Sale of the 1987 Ford Truck was discussed. A motion was made by David Prondzinski to put the truck up for sale with the right to reject bids. Dennis Bortle seconded and the motion carried by voice vote. The Clerk will draft an advertisement for the newspaper requesting bids be in by October 9, 2014.

Cecil Wier has received another letter from the County regarding cleaning up his property. David Prondzinski asked the board whether they should also send a letter to Cecil Wier showing the Town's approval of the County letter. After discussion it was decided to leave the clean-up of the Wier property in the County's hands.

Dennis Bortle announced the trial date of August 25, 2014 at 9:00 for the Town of Trempealeau v. Wendell Klein. The clerk will post a meeting notice.

Current work on town road ditches was discussed. Charles Miller spoke in favor of the ditch work. Chairman Farley explained the work that was done with the Town of Gale and the Henderson's to solve a water issue on Sacia Road. Dennis Bortle indicated that there were other ditches that needed to be cleaned out too and wanted that work approved by the board in the future before any work is completed. The possibility of having two meetings per month during the summer was discussed, no decision was made. Dennis Bortle indicated that Doug Nichols would like work done on his ditch. Doug will be placed on next month's agenda.

The results of the State of Wisconsin Bridge Inspection were received and given to the board members for review. The Wisconsin Department of Administration has provided the information that the January 2014 population for the Town of Trempealeau is 1,792. Fire Board minutes were received. The clerk will request the First Responder Financial Report. Dennis Bortle raised the issue of the Taube variance. A revised letter had been sent to the County giving approval to no less than 8'. Teddy Konkel asked when the work on Bear Coulee Road would be done. A copy of a letter sent to David Duckworth by Mark Carlson, Trempealeau County Zoning and Sanitary Specialist regarding clean-up of his property located at N13491 West Prairie Road. A letter was received from the State of Wisconsin granting conditional approval of the Wagner storage shed project at W24344 State Road 54/93.

The next meeting is set for September 11, 2014 at 6:30 p.m.

David Prondzinski made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Dennis Bortle seconded and the motion carried by voice vote. The meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sonja A. Byrne
Clerk/Treasurer